

United States District Court  
Western District of Michigan  
Southern Division

Matthew Keith Alward,  
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Jordan Rieck, Ian Howard, Aaron Kowalski, Craig  
White, City of Madison Heights, Madison Heights  
Police Department.

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WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN  
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**1:24-cv-1228**

Case: **Hala Y. Jarbou**  
**Chief U.S. District Judge**

Complaint

Now comes Matthew Alward (Alward), pro se,  
respectfully submitting this Complaint and brings  
Claims under 42 USC § 1983 against Jordan Rieck,  
Ian Howard, Aaron Kowalski, Craig White (collectively,  
the "Officer Defendants") in their Individual and  
professional Capacities as well as against the City of  
Madison Heights and the Madison Heights Police  
Department. Alward brings forth the violation  
of his 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 14<sup>th</sup> Amendments.  
Alward also brings to the Court the felonious  
acts committed by officer Defendants including  
but not limited to perjury, bribery, public scandal,  
unlawful arrest, unlawful detainment and slander as




as defamation, Alward will submit proof to the Court backing his claims which in turn caused punitive damages, mental anguish and ultimately put Alward in a position where he was sexually assaulted and physically assaulted.

- On or about July 30, 2019 the officer Defendants submitted a sworn Affidavit to a Judge alleging that Scott A. Witzke submitted to them privileged information of a package containing drugs was going to be delivered to Alward's home address in Lansing Michigan. On August 2, 2019 Alward's home address was raided by Lansing Police department executing a warrant obtained by the Officer Defendants. Alward was arrested for the contents of said package containing 164 grams of Methamphetamine. On or about August 8, 2019 Scott Witzke learned of the Affidavit that was submitted to a Judge for signing contained his name and ultimately put the "Informant" label on him. Witzke was not happy and emailed Madison Heights Police Chief regarding this persured information stating he did not do this. Witzke supplied Alward with a copy of the email conversation held between him and the Police Chief that clearly states that



Witzke was not involved in the informant business and eventually was offered a bribe to go along with the contents of the affidavit. The Chief paid Witzke \$2,000<sup>00</sup> for his corroboration of events, to go along with the lies. By buying Witzke's testimony he invalidated the warrant, the perjury did as well which violated Alward's 4<sup>th</sup> Amendment rights as well. Alward demands the Justice for his rights being violated and him being detained for over 5 years now. Alward demands a jury trial for these events to be decided upon the actions of the Defendants.

Respectfully

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